

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT

Proposed amendments to the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure regarding mediation in collection actions brought against a consumer

Comments must be filed by Wednesday, October 26, 2022

The Maine Supreme Judicial Court invites comments on proposed amendments to the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure that would create a new subdivision (g) of Rule 92, to govern mediation in collection actions brought against a consumer by a debt buyer or by a debt collector to collect a credit card or student loan debt, *see* 32 M.R.S. §§ 11002(1-A), (3), (5-A), (6), 11019(1), 11020(1) (2022), and would redesignate current subdivision (g) as subdivision (h).

The proposed amendments are available on the Court's website at www.courts.maine.gov/rules/civil

Any comments must be filed with the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court by **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 26, 2022**. Comments may be in writing, mailed or delivered to the address below, or in an email sent to lawcourt.clerk@courts.maine.gov. If the comments are in an attachment to the email, the attachment must be a document in native (text-based and not scanned) portable document format (.pdf). The Clerk's Office will acknowledge receipt of the email via reply email.

All comments must contain (1) the name and mailing address of the individual submitting the comments, and (2) the name, mailing address, and primary telephone number of the organization (if any) on whose behalf the comments are submitted. An individual need not be an attorney to submit comments individually or on behalf of an organization.

Comments are public documents and may be posted on the Court's website.

Dated October 12, 2022

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